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Dr. Thornton Spearheads Yet More Title IX Changes

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In recent weeks, anger and confusion about Title IX and the recent changes to school policy have been brewing on the Hill. Tensions over the topic have reached a boiling point, with Title IX becoming ever more present in the Hampden-Sydney zeitgeist. Members of our community can hear passionate arguments and conspiracy theories over dinner in the Commons, with both professors and students participating, but everyone debating from a slightly different understanding of the details. Thus, it's important for us to understand a little about Title IX and the college's recent changes to official policy.

Title IX of the Higher Education Amendments of 1972, which amended four previous acts related to higher education, states simply that any educational institution receiving federal funds may not discriminate based upon gender. The maelstrom of Supreme Court cases that followed led to many qualifications of the law, and the adoption of broader interpretations with which many still disagree. For instance, Hampden-Sydney is obligated to comply with Title IX, even though we are private, because students at HSC receive federal financial aid. Most of this debate was settled by the

early 2000s, though, so why is the issue popping up again, and why did the college change its Title IX policy at all? The short answer is that we had to.

The Dear Colleague Letter of 2011, as well as the 2013 Violence Against Women Act amendments to the Clery Act, set forth new guidelines and regulations for the prevention of on-campus sexual violence. In 2014, the Department of Education published its interpretation of those laws, as well as methods by which colleges and universities should comply. It was then, says Dr. Saranna Thornton, professor of Economics and Business, a little over a year ago, that a committee began revising the college's Title IX policy. Because of Dr. Thornton's expertise in the realm of women's issues and women in the workplace, she volunteered to help rewrite the old policy. In fact, Dr. Thornton has been researching and writing about gender-based discrimination in the workplace



Thornton. Photo Credit: hsc.edu

and higher education since 1999.

The changes in federal law required a restructuring of how cases of sexual misconduct are tried, mandating equal rights for both the accuser and the accused, but still leaving room for discretion with regards to the appeals process or outside council. For example, Thornton told me that "you don't have to have hearings if somebody is accused of sexual misconduct." Because of this legislative wiggle room, Dr. Thornton says she coordinated with the Student Court justices to ask them for their input on the new policies. Stewart Lawrence '17 confirmed this, telling me that Dr. Thornton and the rest of the Appeals Committee met with the Student Court sometime last year and that the conclusions reached in that closed meeting were included in the new policy.

The methodical revision process was accelerated with the passing of Virginia HB 1785 and SB 712 in late May of this year. Those bills were drafted in response to the Hannah Graham tragedy at the University of Virginia, and sought to combat sexual assault on Virginia's college campuses. Included in the new requirements are three main components: Virginia colleges and universities must establish a committee to respond to allegations of felonious sexual assault, determine if there is a threat to other students, and contact local police if necessary; students at Virginia colleges and uni-

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Library Renovations Causing Headaches



The first floor is under significant renovation. Photo Credit: Jonathan Walkey '18

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Over the past few weeks construction has been taking place in Bortz Library, leading to large amounts of noise and a non-ideal study location.

Many students are unhappy about the mess and wondering why the work was not done in the summer instead of the middle of fall semester. Averett Flory '19, who studies in the library during the day, is bothered by the noise of saws and drills. "If you're working during the day it's pretty bad, but at nighttime it's not bad," Flory says.

When the dust settles and construction is finished, the library should be more organized and more

unified for easier student access. I spoke with Dr. Cy Dillon, the Director of the Library, about the project. The reason for the construction is that Winston Hall, the fine arts building, will soon be renovated.

The publications office, which is currently located downstairs in Winston Hall, will be taking the place of the Fuqua Computing Center in the lower level of Johns Auditorium. The computing center will then move to the ground floor of the library where it will have office space for nine people.

"They [at the computing center] make a really good match for the library," said Dr. Dillon, because they already report to him. He said that "We will unify the information side of campus; the library

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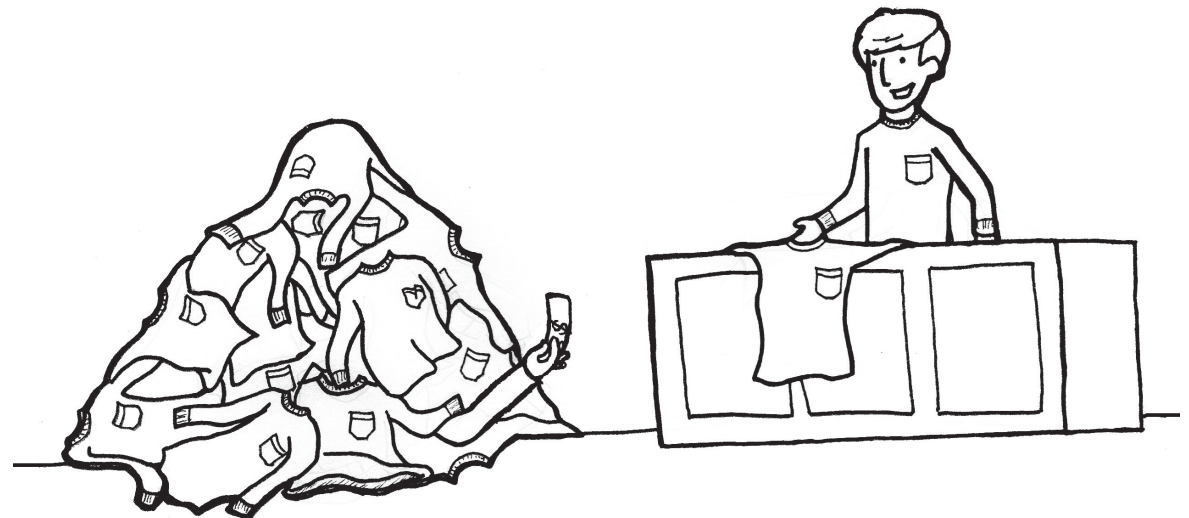
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A Plea for Respect and Gentlemanly Conduct

WARNING: THIS ARTICLE CONTAINS STRONG LANGUAGE.

Alex V. Abbott '17
Editor-in-Chief

The following are a number of YikYak transcripts from the previous month, each of which had more than a dozen upvotes, and many of which were at 20 points or higher: "Fuck LGBTQ awareness month..." "What's the point of LGBT awareness if it's all legal now?" "is it wrong that I find that we should be spreading awarress [sic] about Breast cancer, rather than the queers and shit" "Now that queer is politically correct, we need a new offensive term. Shit packers it is." "It's LGBTQ awareness month and disability awareness

month. Coincidence??" "I'm sick of all the liberal/gay/PC bullshit that's been going on here..." "We are white, we are guilty" "Good Man Plan or PC cult gathering?" "Why aren't there any black players in Clue, because if there were it would be called solved"

If you made it through the previous paragraph without grimacing, flinching, or having a bad taste in your mouth, congratulations; you're a part of the problem at this school. Racism, homophobia, and intolerance of all kinds are an issue, not just at Hampden-Sydney, but all over the region, country, and world. At the same time, we should be especially concerned by these types of prejudice at Hampden-Sydney, because they so strong-

ly contradict our school's mission.

As an RA, a tour guide, and the Editor-in-Chief of the newspaper, I interact with a number of prospective students, freshmen, parents, alumni, trustees, and other people interested in our school and community. One of the things that I emphasize in my discussions with these people is Hampden-Sydney's brotherhood. We pride ourselves on the strong community we form with the people around us; heck, "BROTHERHOOD" is the slogan on bumper stickers and admissions mailers, not to mention countless other media.

But racism, homophobia, and other types of prejudice violate that brother-

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hood. Just last week, I was talking with a friend of mine who is a minority student at Hampden-Sydney. He told me about his roommates who deliberately hung a Confederate flag in their shared space despite his protestations. Because of this incident, as well as various posts on social media and other conversations, my friend—my brother—does not feel welcome here. He intends to transfer next semester.

Another selling point of Hampden-Sydney, a key tenet of our existence, is our mission statement: “to form good men and good citizens in an atmosphere of sound learning.” Good men don’t make their brothers feel unwelcome. Good citizens don’t exclude others based on their skin color or sexual orientation. End of story.

But beyond these simple facts, I raise another question. Why is this prejudicial behavior, just as accurately called hate speech, not a violation of our Honor Code? Honor is a special distinction; it is intended to convey worthiness, praise, and adoration. While bias and harassment are covered in the Code of Student Conduct, why is discrimination not included as an Honor Code offense? What bigot is deserving of praise and adoration? Is it really the case that checking your notes during a take-home exam is a more heinous act than using the N-word, making racist or homophobic jokes, or throwing around other derogatory names? I don’t see it. Cheating on an exam primarily hurts the cheater; any collateral damage done to the school is minimal. Discriminating and using hate speech hurts the target of the speech or act. Shouldn’t we protect the victims of hate speech more than we should punish those who only hurt themselves?

If honor itself were not reason enough to mend our ways, we have our public reputation to think of. Hampden-Sydney has a pair of reputations. The first is as a prestigious all-male school in the Southeast, one steeped

in history and tradition, a beacon of higher education for young gentlemen and scholars. The other is as a cesspool of bigotry and misogyny, racism and homophobia. To be frank, based on the manner in which we Hampden-Sydney Men treat our brothers—to say nothing of our neighbor students at Longwood, “Townies” (a derogatory codename used to depict mostly African-American males not enrolled at Hampden-Sydney), or the women who visit us from Sweet Briar, Longwood, and elsewhere—I’m not sure which is more deserved. We have a chance to make one of these two competing reputations stronger; why not choose the one that makes us look like decent human beings?

Are we going to cure all of our problems overnight? No. Are there still going to be racists and homophobes on our campus, throughout our country, and over the world? Yes. Do the anonymous posts and votes of a few dozen bigots represent the entire student body? No—but they are pervasive enough that they warrant our concern. We ought to actively stand up against this small, hateful, and vocal presence on our campus. As another anonymous Yakker put it, “I don’t give a fuck if you’re gay, I will still care about your well being if you’re a classmate of mine or anyone for that matter.” We should all be so caring. Indeed, it’s what a true Hampden-Sydney Man would do.

Why Your College Sucks: Randolph-Macon

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Some people are students, alumni, faculty, and staff of Randolph-Macon College. But many, many more fortunate people are NOT affiliated with Randolph-Macon. This *Tiger* opinion piece is for those in the latter group.

College: Randolph-Macon

R-MC is a collection of people that barely meet the definition of scholars. This Virginian Institute of “Higher” Learning is located in Ashland with a total enrollment of 1,325 students that are seemingly held captive as this would be the only explanation for such an enrollment.

Randolph-Macon is like that kid at your fifth grade science fair with the obviously horrible solar system display that cannot understand his own inferiority. The Bumble Bees of R-MC truly believe that they are worth acknowledgement. Sorry, pal, your school is as awful as your science fair project; unlike back in elementary school, though, your mother has cut the umbilical cord and now you must cry alone instead of in her lap.

Rankings:

Fun Fact: Randolph-Macon is not within any Top 50 Ranking of any statistic that I can find. Truly, this island of misfit toys is so horrible

that their entire existence has gone unknown to any standard of metric that actually matters. However, I am sure that for once R-MC could take pride in the simple acknowledgement of their co-existence with academia.

There are literally college rankings for nearly every category one could ever desire. The Princeton Review has rankings that range from “Birkenstock-Wearing, Tree-Hugging, Clove-Smoking Vegetarians” to “Future Rotarians and Daughters of the Revolution” to “Reefer Madness” and even to “Scotch and Soda, Hold the Soda.” However, in the midst of a generation obsessed with every ranking and statistic of life like that dad that swears he could have been in the MLB if he had not thrown out his shoulder during his high school JV game, Randolph-Macon is seemingly forgotten. Truly, there is no need to explain as R-MC has proven to be the most forgettable college in America; there ya go friend, your first ranking. How does it feel?

Founded:

Randolph-Macon was founded in 1830, making Small Pox only the second worst thing to happen that year. It was originally located in Boydton, however due to the Civil War the railroad link to Boydton was destroyed. The trustees of R-MC thought that it would be best to move the property of the college to Ashland in the

year 1868. Yes, you read that correctly. Randolph-Macon was so upset about a railroad that they moved campuses to Ashland where the railroad disrupts every aspect of college life by traveling through the middle of campus. The college was named for statesmen John Randolph and Nathaniel Macon. The founders of Macon must have liked the idea of the older (and actually stationary) college of Hampden-Sydney because they too chose to name their college after two men’s surnames separated by a hyphen. Super creative.

Notable Alumni:

This is the easiest and possibly saddest section to write about Randolph-Macon. I would first like to state that Randolph-Macon has over 200 years of existence and is currently graduating roughly 300 people a year yet can only count 21 alumni to be “notable.” This figure comes from Wikipedia; if a member of society is in some way culturally significant, he or she will be featured on Wikipedia.

Perhaps we need to dissect this list of 21 alumni in order to better understand. After all, it is minimal effort with so few: 8 Politicians, 8 Athletes, 3 Academics, and 2 Artists. That is it.

I must admit, R-MC is killing it with Mr. Brian Partlow in the AFL as not only the offensive coordinator of the Cleveland Gladiators but also the head coach of the Austin Wranglers. Yes, I wrote AFL. More commonly known as the Arena Football League or even more commonly known as the football program supported by Mac from *It’s Always Sunny in Philadelphia* as he attempts to profit from pretending to have cancer. That may be the first time the AFL made it onto television and I hope this is the last time the *Tiger* writes of it.

The Definite Reason You Suck:

You are okay with mediocrity. However, to your credit, the women of R-MC obviously do not share this love of “just passing” when it comes to their men. As the old saying goes, “Randolph-Macon College: where the men are feeble and the women are at Hampden-Sydney.”

Taylor Talk Returns with Holiday Tips

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Q: Can a boy be normal and knit in public?

A: Dear reader, we find the more appropriate question to be, “can a boy be normal and *not* knit in public?” So, unequivocally, yes – for several reasons. The first being that it is a total babe magnet: it demonstrates that you are a sensitive, thoughtful male, secure

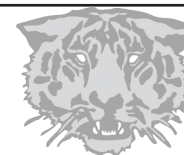
in your sexuality. Extra props here if you are crafting a pair of booties, or a scarf for a homeless kitten. The second reasoning is that the fruits of your labor will be a constant comfort to their owners, guarding them from the depredations of the fiercest winter storm. Finally, the third reason for our stance is that in this age of micro-aggressions and quasi-communist repression of the individual and his right to self-preservation, knitting needles can serve as your first line of defense against machinations of the state (af-

ter they have confiscated your firearm, that is). For these reasons (and the many left unexpressed) we conclude that only the manliest of men knit.

Q: Why is HSC so hung up on this Plexiglas thing? I have this b**chin’ 10’ X 20’ Confederate flag that I want to hang on my ceiling, but apparently I can’t. So what the hell is up with this?

A: Mr. Confederate – our solution is to cut your flag into ten 1’ X 2’ sections, frame each, and arrange them in a tasteful (but daring) fashion affixed

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College Republicans Attend Ben Carson Fundraiser

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On September 29th, five members of Hampden-Sydney's own College Republicans had the opportunity to attend a fundraiser for Dr. Benjamin "Ben" Carson in Greensboro, North Carolina. College Republicans C. Graves Anthony '16, Holden McLemore '16, Max Mau-

rer '16, Peter Pickard '19, and Tanner Beck '18 were among over six hundred attendees at the Greensboro Country Club who had gathered to support Dr. Carson in his effort to claim the Republican Party's nomination for the presidency, an event described by Anthony as "amazing."

The College Republicans, whose stated mission is to further "the study of the American political system and the philosophies of the Republican Party," host events regularly both

on- and off-campus. When asked about how the club's trip to visit Dr. Carson correlated with its founding philosophy, Anthony responded, "The event fit the practice of the club to a tee. It allowed the people that went to see Presidential Candidate Dr. Ben Carson and learn more about him. It also was a great bonding opportunity for the guys who went."

Our school's attendees were even able to personally meet Dr. Carson, whom Anthony described as "nicer in

person than he is portrayed on television and in the media. I didn't think that he could be a nicer person but then he actually was." The College Republicans were also able to take photographs with Dr. Carson and listen to an address he gave to the assembled donors on his designs for the presidency.

Although Anthony described the event to me as "spur-of-the-moment," he also described it as a "class act." The opportunity to attend this fundraiser was unique for the attending Col-

lege Republicans due to the current build-up to a presidential primaries beginning in February of next year.

"One of the new things the club is doing this year since we are on the verge of a presidential election is a straw poll," said Anthony. "So far through tracking the data Dr. Carson is the preferential choice of the Hampden-Sydney Man who identifies as a Republican. We are also trying to connect students with the candidates that they prefer."

Title IX Changes Continued

versities who are convicted of sexual misconduct will have a record of that conviction made on their official transcript; and, crucially, all Virginia colleges and universities must bring their Title IX policies up to date by October 31, 2015, or face a loss of accreditation from the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia. This, according to Thornton, "set a deadline, a hard deadline that we had to meet."

Under the gun, Dr. Thornton and others worked over the summer to include the new Virginia provisions in the Title IX policy. She said that there were "stacks of guidelines, of what we had to do." Hearing all of this, I thought of a recent *Tiger* political cartoon, which featured a man playing pin-the-tail-on-the-donkey, with the label "Title IX Policy" on the tail. I asked for Dr. Thornton's opinion on the cartoon, and she replied, "We weren't just like blindfolded spinning around three times. There were a lot of very, very, very specific regulations that we had to comply with."

Further, Dr. Thornton and her team worked with the college's attorneys, one of whom she described as "an expert in Title IX, the Violence Against Women Act, the Clery Act, and the 1964 Civil Rights Act." They also worked with Adrian Murray, the college's Title IX consultant,

as well as reviewing other schools' policies for potential insights. However, our new policy was not a mere carbon copy of larger institutions. Dr. Thornton said that ours is the only one she has seen that doesn't "totally take all Title IX responsibility out of the hands of students."

Once they had a draft in place, Thornton's team circulated it among various offices on campus, including Dean Klein's, former Chief Brown's, and many others, in order to glean their feedback. However, because it was over the summer, many members of the faculty were unaware of the policy changes, so the new changes were presented for their approval at the October faculty meeting. This was not a deliberate sleight of hand, Thornton clarified, but rather a "matter of logistics." Nevertheless, many professors felt as if they had had no input at all. When I interviewed the Dean of the Faculty and future Interim President Dean Stevens, he said that many faculty members felt pressured because of the October 31st deadline.

If she had the chance to do it again, Dr. Thornton says she would have sent out periodic emails over the summer so that faculty member felt more in the loop. Hurt feelings aside, the creation of the new official Title IX policy was not a game of pin-the-tail-on-the-donkey, but rather a calculated, methodical, and comprehensive effort that included all of the necessary parties, and one that affects all of us at the College.

Bortz Renovation Continued

and computer network." Having these offices in the same building will be much more convenient.

The media center and the Dupont Room, which are accessible only by fire escape stairs set to the side of the library, are moving up to the main level of the library. Dr. Dillon said, "Now, a lot of your academic work depends on technology." Having the media center on the main level is much more convenient. There, people will be able to print in color, print directly from various devices, get assistance with video editing, and check-out computers. Also the Office of Academic Success, currently in Bagby Hall, will be moving to the main floor of the library, where there will be another tutoring/testing room.

After construction, the library will be very different. Walking into the main floor, library services and reference help will be combined at the desk to the left. The old reference help desk, to the right as one enters the main doors, will be a technology help desk. The Office of Academic Success will be in the right corner of the main floor as well.

Dr. Dillon said, "You'll have the things that most of the students come to use, other than studying, right on the main floor. So it's not a super quiet area. It's more of an open use area." In

the basement of the library, there will be a technology repair desk and help desk. Checking out laptops and other technology will be the main emphasis of the basement floor. Dr. Dillon even mentioned the idea of putting flat screen TVs in basement study rooms.

So what are the benefits for students? Study rooms, which are used over 4,000 times a year, will increase by one. Instead of ten, there will be eleven. The third floor will gain four additional study rooms, while the main level will be three short. The snack and drink machines will be moving to the third floor as well. Dr. Dillon said that part of the plan was to avoid reducing study rooms and seating. Fortunately, that aspect of the plan is being followed.

The construction has not reduced a single seat; there are still 550 seats in the library. However, one inconvenience results from the rearranging. For those who usually park their vehicles behind the library, the current media center exit on ground level will close at 5:00 pm every day. People will have to park behind the building and walk around to the front if they wish to enter the library after that time.

Dr. Dillon has arranged to have the contractors stop their work during exam week. He suggested that much of the project will be finished after Christmas. In the meantime, students may want to study in the upper levels of the library or in their rooms between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., when all of the loud work takes place.

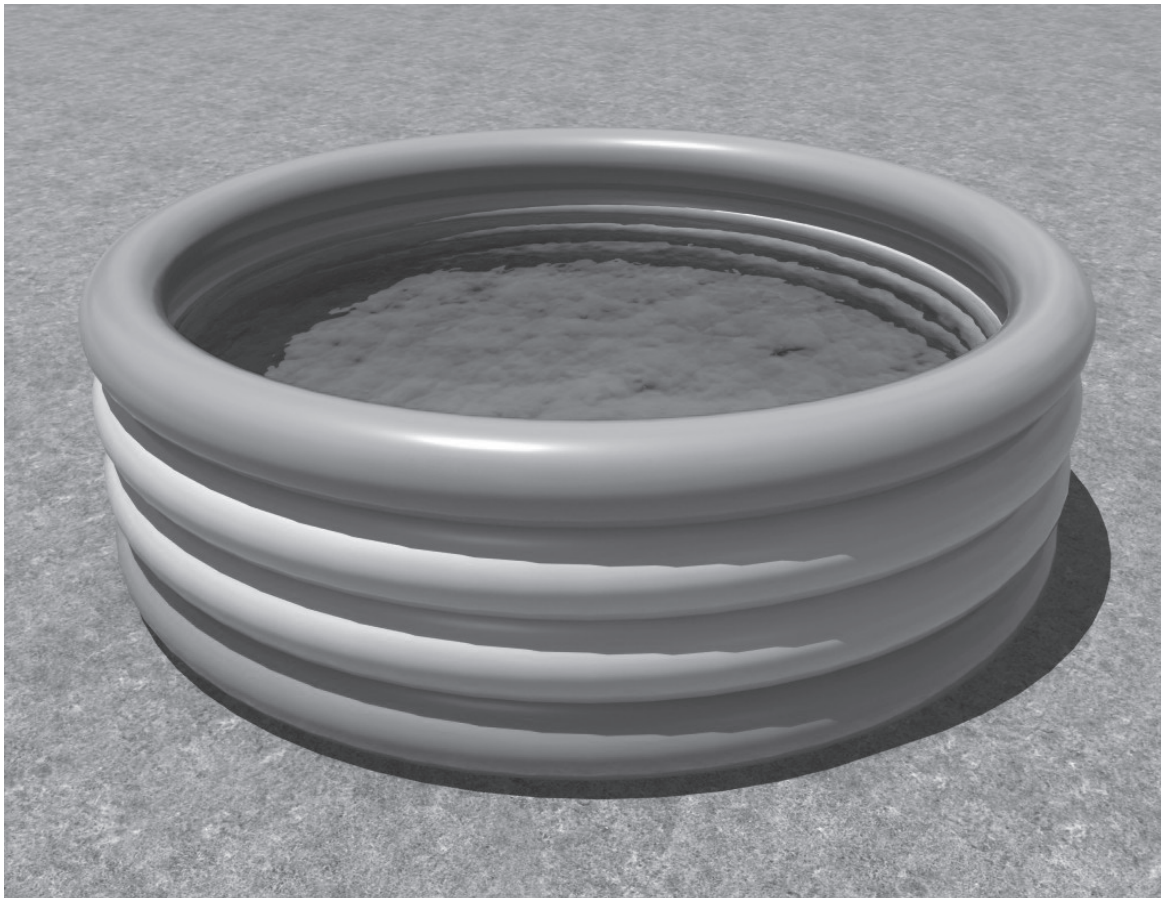


Construction is not limited to the lobby. Photo Credit: Jonathan Walkey '18

THE RANDOLPH-MACON COOTER

Note: The following four pages are satirical in nature. The *Cooter* is part of a long tradition of healthy rivalry between H-SC and R-MC.

Diving Team Formed to Search for Swim Team



It's unclear how the entire team managed to drown in this pool, but there will be an inquiry. Photo Credit: turbosquid.com

*Just Some Guy
Not Actually Affiliated*

This winter, Randolph-Macon College Athletics is looking for new members to join its new diving team. This push doubles as an effort to find the members of last winter's failed swim team. The swim team, piloted by student Mike Felps, was shut down after Randolph Macon's first swim when the entire team drowned due to a horrible incident with their floaties. The school suspects local rival, the Patrick Henry Poliwoogs, a local youth YMCA swim team, to be guilty of the act, but no charges have been filed. The diving team will be headed up by none other than our own Professor of Pre-Ministry, Reverend McKibbles, train whistle extraordinaire, collector of fine pornography, and national belly-flop champion. He hopes to use his model of God and belly-flops to lead the diving team to success. "You just have to get on in there," he says, "and pray you sink. Just get up in there, get in there! Stroke stroke breathe, stroke stroke breathe!" Reverend

McKibbles then pulled out a wooden train whistle and ran around the room, blowing the whistle and yelling incomprehensible phrases about bushes.

The team will also be assisted by Hayden Hadley, Professor of Equestrian Studies, who hopes to use RMC's horses to create a water polo team in the near future. "Although it is a shame that the swim team was a failure," he says, "hopefully the dive team can fish their bodies out without too much trouble. That should make some room in the pool for our horses." When asked if he had ever actually seen a water polo match, he responded, "No, but here at Randolph Macon, we're always looking to try new things!"

Hopes are high that the formation of the diving team will aid in the recovery of the swim team, which will then free up the 4-foot pool for the water polo team's horses. Once the process is set in motion, McKibbles and Hadley hope to have both water sports up and running after a few weeks. "Ultimately, the question is not, Are they down there? We know they are," McKibbles said. "The question is how soon can we remove the impediments to our practices and competitions?"

REPORT: H-SC Housing Administrator Secretly Italian Grandmother

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John Ramsey, residence guru at Hampden-Sydney, is believed to secretly be an Italian grandma.

Our sources indicate that Ramsay has colluded all along with top H-SC admins to conceal his true identity from the student body. That's right, folks. The dashing young dean with the vaguely olive complexion and dark bushy hair that make you wonder, "Is that guy Persian?," actually spends entire day's in his

kitchen that never ceases to smell of tomato sauce and veal cutlets.

Jefferson Kunkle, a junior at Hampden-Sydney, has reported seeing the Director of Residence Life on multiple occasions, puttering around his office in a nightgown and fuzzy slippers, wondering why nobody calls anymore. Friend and classmate Brand Hollins gives a similar account: "Yeah," he said, "I had a meeting with Dean Klein the other day, and Dean Ramsay came in unannounced, asking if Klein knew if he could 'put his Sinatra albums on cassette,' and

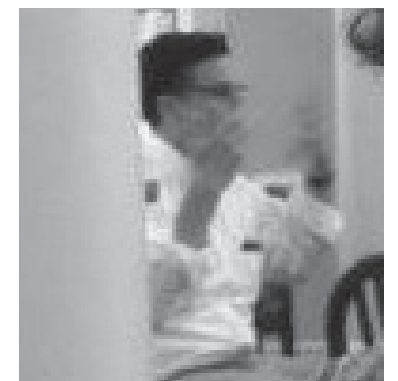
then looked at me, rested his palm on my cheek, and told me I look thin."

At a recent meal in the H-SC dining hall, Ramsy reportedly entered into a 10 minute long diatribe, explaining to his co-workers his frustration that his 35 year old daughter still hasn't married. Evidently, he has attempted several times to set her up with that nice Catholic boy from the block over, but she only dates hoodlums—most recently, a "gentleman" with an earring.

"It's so hard to get him to do anything," says Ms. Patty Townsend, the alleged septuagenarian's secretary.

"He's just so stubborn. He refuses to check his emails because 'it's easier to write a letter' and he is constantly asking me how to check the text and voice messages on his phone, only to get angry with me for explaining it too fast. All he does is nap, cook, and complain."

It's not because we here at the *Cooter* like Hampden-Sydney students that we unveil this sickening news, but because we simply are too good of peoples to let it continue unnoticed any longer. Open your eyes Hampton-Sydney...Dean Jon Ramsey is not who you think he is.



Our brave photographer took this picture before the Resident Life Director offered him a second helping of tortellini.



Local Eats: At the "Moans"

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Connoisseur

When I arrived at the restaurant on Hampden-Sydney's campus I couldn't figure out why they call it the Moans. The building was nicer than any of the buildings on our campus; granted, our

school looks like a public high school, but their dining hall was impressive. Their dining hall was amazing. There were many different options that made it seem like one of those five-star Las Vegas Buffets. They had five different food lines, much different than our one dinky little cafeteria.

I decided upon the first food line that I came to, which was the home food line. I decided upon the turkey meatloaf with mashed potatoes, broccoli, and carrots. The meal seemed as if it were going to be underwhelming but it was amazing. I overheard guys

around me talking about how bad it was and I couldn't understand why they were complaining, because this was the greatest meal that I had ever had. I loved the flavor of the ground turkey mixing with the flavor of the barely cooked carrots. I loved how the broccoli tasted like it had just come from the field. The taste of the dirt film really brought out the flavor of the ground turkey and gravy.

That's enough turkey talk, I finally finished my gourmet meal, much better than the bread and water that we get in Trashland, I mean Ashland. I've

been at Hampden-Sydney so long I'm starting to think cogent thoughts. The desert options were amazing: canned cherries covered in graham cracker crust, Sysco banana pudding, and half baked cookies. I decided upon the graham cracker covered cherries. When I first bit into the succulent cherries I was overwhelmed with the flavor combination of metallic aluminum and red dye no. 40. The cherries were much better than anything that we had ever had at R-MC, where the best dessert I had ever had was a lemon wedge that was half squeezed and I found

on the ground outside of a dumpster.

In all I absolutely loved my time at Hampden-Sydney with all of the Hamsters, though I don't understand why we call them hamsters. I never once saw any hamsters there. Back to the important stuff. The meal I ate at Hampden-Sydney was the greatest meal I had ever been witness to in my entire life. I give H-SC's dining hall, "The Moans" as they call it or "Heaven" as I call it, 20 out of 5 stars. This place needs to be available to us at Macon.

Eat at Hampden-Sydney, my fellow jackets,

SPUD '08

A Day in the Life of Our Valedictorian: How Does He Do It?

Simon "H4x0r Supr3m3" Seamon '16
Semi-Professional Gamer

6:00 AM- Wake up, think about getting start to the day, decide to sleep again. I'll need it in order to pull out that 1.8 and stay at the top of my class.

12:00 PM- Slept through English: Leet Speak and Chemistry: Things Go Boom classes, that's okay. I'll get a curve on my paper, a sentence sure is hard to write. Also just lit a garbage can on fire last class, teacher was proud, so I definitely have a solid B-.

12:02 PM- Get dressed in tank top and pants that get unzipped at legs. Look in mirror, slick hair back with vegetable oil (cause I'm bringing back the greaser look).

12:30 PM- Eat breakfast at Micky D's. 2 dollars, wow that's expensive.

1:00 PM- Walk to Computer Math class, topic of this semester: How to Type Numbers So It Looks like the Matrix. Wow that's a long title for a class...

2:20 PM- Fingers hurt from typing so many numbers, grab snack at the Cafeteria. Gogurt, yum!

3:00 PM- Watch *Teen Titans* Go marathon for class. Discussion on how much better it is than the first *Teen Titans* is tomorrow.

5:00 PM- Marathon over, gosh that was great. Oops, I swore. Gotta stop saying "gosh". Put dollar in swear jar.

5:30 PM- It's getting dark outside. Could go to dinner but too scary. Going to go read *Green Eggs and Ham* for Honor Literature Class. Wish I knew what Literature meant...

5:45 PM- Read a page, this is hard. Gonna eat some Ger-

bers peas. Baby food is so healthy.

5:48 PM- Back to work on *Green Eggs and Ham*.

6:30 PM- Jeez that's hard, only finished 4 pages tonight. Oops, swore again, can't say "jeez" so much I'll go bankrupt. Put another dollar in swear jar.

6:55 PM- Check grades, ooh I'm not doing so hot in Computer Math. I didn't type enough numbers, I have a C++.

7:00 PM- Log onto Club Penguin. Best. Game. Ever.

8:00 PM- Log off Club Penguin. My igloo is the best.

9:00 PM- Curl up in fetal position and cry about how hard it is to read books. That Dr. Seuss sure is intelligent. I'm glad I go to a great college so I can learn about the medical benefits of green foods.

10:00 PM- Stop cry-

ing, play Nickelback and mope.

10:30 PM- Kicked table, sat on floor crying for ten minutes and then put Disney princess Band-Aid on my shin.

11:00 PM- Oh no! Missed my

bed time! Crap! Oops, swore again, put another dollar in swear jar.

11:02 PM- Climb into my crib. It's so I don't fall out! I move a lot in my sleep!

11:04 PM- Cry till I fall asleep.



The amusement never ends for Simon Seamon '16, who somehow manages to find time for hardcore video games between marathon study sessions.

Randolph-Macon College

Forming Average Men and So-So Citizens in an Atmosphere of Mediocre Learning Since 1830

Randolph-Macon College Appoints Three New Trustees

*Hinkle '16
Dad's Name Is Richard*

Three new members were elected to the Randolph-Macon Bored of Trustees. This decision was finalized after a heated debate among the administration concerning which of the characters of the Harry Potter series the new candidates resembled the most. This occurred following the Board's unanimous decision not to make a change to the dining hall's Hot Dog Water Repurposing Protocol. "There is no evidence whatsoever that the hot dog water has made its way into the campus' drinking supply," remarked Dean Goodfapp. "Students should rest assured that there probably aren't obscene amounts of carcinogens or little bits of salmonella floating around in their water and feel free to resume consumption as soon as possible.

Anyway, the first of the three new

trustees will be sure to impress any loyal son or daughter of our storied institution. You might recognize him by his battle-worn leather jacket, unmistakable smell of cat urine and/or ammonia and Slim Jims, or the gnarly grunt of his hog cruising down Center Street. Yes, Randy Mack is pleased to welcome Big Tony, a longtime prison guard of Hanover County Jail and current Vice-Admiral of the Ashland Chapter of the Hell's Angels. Big Tony will surely bring a wealth of knowledge to the current Board members, including proper bludgeoning technique and crowd control, as well as how to make the dopest plate of nachos using only Tostitos, Kraft Singles, and a "little something special up Ol' Tony's sleeve." Tony has also graciously volunteered to serve as the interim campus pharmacist, following the sad departure of Ray from Down the Street after the school's most recent epilepsy scare. Kudos Tony – welcome to the family!

Joining the accomplished Mr. Big Tony is Slochin Rolyart, Class of 2014/17. Deciding to spend his final gap year during his time at Randolph-Macon in a meaningful way, everyone's favorite western Canadian has decided to join the school's supreme governing body. Surely, there is no need to attest to Rolyart's qualifications for his new appointment, as everyone will remember the record setting final grade of B+ he received in Econ 101 his freshman year. The Supply/Demand wiz-kid also enjoyed great successes last year as Student Body President, piling on to his reputation for greatness by becoming the first R-MC student since C. H. Eeseburger '28 to successfully drive all of the snakes out of Washington-Franklin Hall, as well as squelching the cannibalistic hunger games that ensued last year following the implementation of a new trayless system in the mess hall. Close friend and current campus rep for Crocs footwear, alumnus Chud McDoosher

'15 remarks, "I can't think of a better guy for the job than the Sloch. He's one of my closest bros and was always an inspiration to me. He helped me through a real rough time I was going through after an incident I had while trying to cut a steak with a sharp knife one night last year. Real genuine dood. Real tight. Doneskies." Rolyart hopes to return for a final semester of classes next year, and afterwards plans on running for Congress in this district – that is, following the resignation of the Honorable Eric Cantor.

Finally, the last edition to the group of esteemed trustees of the college will be local foodie, train enthusiast, and entrepreneur, the eccentric Mr. Dale R. Frelinghuysen, friendly neighborhood Wendy's Manager and self proclaimed "Earl of French Fries". "This is a dream come true for my model trains and me," said His Lordship. "I've always sort of been a Yellow Jacket at heart, you know?" Dale recalls his first memory of R-MC, when

in 4th grade he was invited to the first of many a special one-on-one swim lesson by then-coach of the Women's Swimming team and off-and-on boyfriend of Dale's mom, Janice – J. Fred McClurdy '78. "I just remember the really special attention he gave me on all those hot, humid summer nights after he picked me up from baseball. I thought 'wow, this Randolph-Macon place must really be something if everyone there is as nice as Mr. Fred.' That's also when I discovered my love of trains. There is something indescribably beautiful in how they combine a powerful and commanding form with a gentle, steady rhythm..." he said, wistfully. We all welcome the experienced Mr. Frelinghuysen back to our campus and hope we may continue to create many more very special memories for him and his trains.

Good luck to all the new trustees and here's to another great year at the greatest college on earth. CHOO-CHOOOO! GO JACKETS!

COOTER SPORTS

Macon Football Tries Real Hard, Only Loses by Fifty

*John Doe '95-'14
Sports Consultant*

In what was essentially a win for the Yellow Jackets, the team was only beaten by a score of 58-8 by Prince Edward Elementary School. Macon was able to reach the end field for the first time in this season's nine games. The

Jackets even scored two more points on a two-point shot in the end zone. After a first quarter that was dominated by Prince Edward, the scoreboard read 24-0. The Jackets were able to sustain a drive when they converted on third down by skipping the 40 yards that were needed. After converting a few third downs, in-

cluding one where the center carried our quarterback for 20 yards, Macon finally reached the blue zone. The quarterback dropped back to pass, and simultaneously sneezed and lofted a ball into the end field, where it was caught by the 6 foot 3 wide receiver over the 4 foot 8 elementary school student. The Jackets celebrated by do-

ing their best "Hotline Bling" dances, which admittedly were terrible. In the second half, the score was 42-6 in favor of Prince Edward. However, the elementary students were backed up on their 8-centimeter line. A Macon linebacker, on his way off the field to use the bathroom, accidentally pushed the ballcar-

rier into the end zone. The confused Macon players were awarded two points, with absolutely no idea why. The Yellow Jackets conclude the season next Saturday at home against the Hampden-Sydney Tigers. Macon goes into the game with the goal in mind of holding the Tigers to less than 150 points.

Yellowjacket Tiddlywinks Teams Show Promise

*James "Thumper" Buddy
Marble Enthusiast*

Interest has increased in Randolph-Macon's most competitive sport: Tiddlywinks. The Yellow Jackets' flagship program has grown to over a hundred members, a 20% increase from last year, and has two competitive teams. The first team, the Yellow Tiddlies, is well respected and plays nationally in the toughest division, the ESTL (Elementary School Tiddlywinks League), compiled of 2nd-4th graders, with the exception of RMC of course. The second team, the Winkies, plays in St. Martin's league, a league with some of the toughest pre-schools in Central Virginia. The two teams held the best records in the school last year (2-28 and 0-9-1 respectively), and due to their success, the other RMC sports teams have seen a lack of interest. Several members of the Yellow Jackets "football" team have joined trying to find out what winning feels like. Said a former cornerback who wished to remain anonymous, "The Winkies practice schedule is far tougher than the football team's, but far more rewarding. Instead of spending thirty minutes pretending to cover receivers every week I have to practice for an hour *every day* shooting winks."

The Yellow Tiddlies' star player, Thomas Stevens, a sixth year sophomore, spoke about the tough practice schedule saying, "We believe that our practice will elevate our play and bring us the glory and respect that Randolph-Macon deserves! Those six year-olds from Ashland Elementary

are going down this year, mark my words!" Stevens then began to sob uncontrollably claiming how Ashland was a bunch of "big meanies."

The Tiddlywinks teams appear to be prepared to usher in an age of glory yet unknown to Randolph-Macon College.



Ashland Elementary School's tiddlywinks team will visit Randolph-Macon next Tuesday, trying for a season sweep of the Yellow Tiddlies. Photo Credit: telegraph.co.uk



Until Dawn Supermassive Games

★★★★☆

There are very few interactive drama games, but the ones that do exist never disappoint. *Until Dawn* is no exception. Developed by Supermassive Games, *Until Dawn* is a PS4 exclusive that is a powerful, adrenaline rushing, blood pumping, spine-tingling experience from start to finish. It is very similar to the 2010 PS3 exclusive *Heavy Rain* in that it is a game that's outcome depends on the choices the player makes. *Until Dawn* tells the story of eight teenage friends who reunite in a cabin up on the mountains in honor of their two friends who died year earlier. The game presents us with a unique cast. Each character has a distinct personality, and all are likable in their own way. Right from the beginning, the gamer is informed that the game relies on the Butterfly Effect, which means that every choice they make has certain consequences. Therefore, they must choose wisely.

Throughout the game, the player will get to know each of the eight teenagers well and, in the process, determine their fate. It isn't long before trouble ensues up on the moun-

tain, and the teens find themselves fighting for their lives against some supernatural force, hell bent on killing them. Like *Heavy Rain* there is very little gameplay in *Until Dawn*. The player is mostly restricted to just moving the character they're playing as around, and when the time comes, they are presented with several

choices they have to make. Choosing wisely is a requirement in this game. Because, whatever action the player chooses, they cannot take back. If one of the characters dies as a result of their choices, the game goes on. There is no restart. Any choice could mean the difference between life and death. Also like *Heavy Rain*, *Until*

Dawn is a very story-driven game, that is sure to keep the player on their seat at all times. All eight teens can survive or they can all die. It depends on the choices you make. With my first run-through of the game, my choices led to the death of five characters. My second run through proved to be more successful. Six out of the eight characters survived, and I got to see parts of the game I hadn't seen the first time around. While the story, the characters, and the choice mechanism are great attributes of the game, it does have its flaws. The camera angles were a bit annoying at times. They closely resemble the fixed camera angles of the first few *Resident Evil* games. The player has no control over the camera, so they can't move it in any direction they want. I would have much preferred the classic over-the-shoulder camera view, which not only gives the player an excellent look at the action going on in front of them, but also makes for a more enjoyable experience. Nonetheless, I enjoyed *Until Dawn*. Its story strongly resembles a classic 80s slasher film like *Friday the 13th* and it has a lot to offer in terms of replay value. While I'm not sure it will win any Game of the Year awards, it will definitely go down as one of the best games of 2015.

-Drew Dickerson '17



All Love Lost Joe Budden

★★★★★

On *All Love Lost*, Joe Budden is bringing a lot of things to the table. The sheer amount of bars on this album give the listener the chance to revisit this album again and again with the opportunity to find something new with each listen. And this is not an exaggeration: Budden even joked on his podcast "I'll Name This Podcast Later" about the amount of bars that he has on this album. One of the things that I've come to appreciate most about Budden is his willingness to leave everything on the album. He tackles his former drug addiction, his relationship issues, and even his relationships and appreciation of close

friends. He does the latter in the song "Slaughterhouse" dedicated to Eminem, the artist who mentored Budden and whom Budden cites as saving his life. When I talk about bars, this is one of those songs to take notice of. Budden annotated this song on Rap Genius, and said that "it is over 300 f***ing bars there." This song has no chorus, and like some other albums on the record which either feature little or no chorus, Budden is clearly dedicated to rapping and not filling up his tracks with unnecessary filler material. My only real complaint with this album is that instrumentally there isn't a lot of variety. However, I feel that Budden brings so much to the table that even though these might not be my favorite instrumentals, they fit his purpose and his sound. The weakest song on here in my opinion is "Broke,"

which was the first single off the album and the song that sounds like it is well suited for the radio. However, with that being said, it's not a bad song, I just think that it's one of the more marketable songs on the album. It is truly difficult to pick my favorite song on this album, in a large part because I feel each song contributes to a larger narrative. This is an album in my collection where I came for the album and stayed for the album, not an instance where one song makes the other songs a little bit better.

As a listener, I feel like this album is not only an album for the fans but it is also an album that Joe Budden needed to make for himself. There is a type of therapy at work here, and I think that is just as important for the listener to understand as it is for Joe Budden to understand. On his pre-

vious EP, entitled *Some Love Lost*, the song "Different Love" tells a story of a friend of Joe's mom who was born with his heart on the right side of his chest, and who has to live every day knowing it could be his last. On this song, Joe says "He gon' live his whole life waking up every morning to a respirator / So I don't ever say what I can't do / If he can be happy with life than n**** I can too". That song has had a definite impact on my life, and this album also had many moments like that. This is definitely one of my favorite hip hop albums of the year, if not in my favorite albums of the year across any genre. While you might come for the lyricism and introspectiveness that set Budden apart, stay for the moments that could teach you something about yourself.

Johnathan Campbell '16

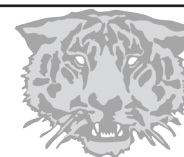
Local Eats: A Neighborhood Favorite

Graves Anthony '16
Food Critic

When I arrived at the "Pig," I was greeted by a friendly hostess who showed my friends and me to a table over on the bar side. I had decided to go to the Fishin' Pig on Wednesday because of their incredible college night specials, or so I thought. The interior of the restaurant was designed to mix modernity with rusticity. The Pig is a relatively new restaurant on the Farmville eatery scene. It opened two years ago, when I was a sophomore. I can remember when it first opened; no one thought that it was going to be there very long because of its distance from the population center of Farmville and the fact that the restaurants in that area usually there tend to cater to Hampden-Sydney students instead of the local crowd. The Pig has been able to capture both audiences quite well.

When our waitress came to our table to take our drink orders, I asked about the drink specials for college night to see if they had changed anything and I was shocked by what I was told. The Pig raised the prices of everything except for the price of their pitchers of beer. They had increased the prices of everything, rail drinks were now two dollars for singles and three dollars for doubles. Yikes. I then ordered the beer of the day, a PBR tall boy, and the group decided to split a fried onion. After the waitress brought us our drinks, she asked us what we wanted and I replied with my usual order of the brisket platter with collard greens and their famous jalapeño cornbread. Our waitress, after a period of time, finally brought us our appetizer of the fried onion petals. The fried onion was delicious, its pet-

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THE HAMPDEN-SYDNEY TIGER

Humans of H-SC



Kireh Wright '19
Staff Writer

Connor Grant '19 Plans to Major in Foreign Affairs with a Minor in National Security

"I just really want to be involved. I see the utmost importance in relationships. Interactions make the world go round. The world revolves around people. I [plan to] major in Foreign Affairs with an interest in National Securities. Right now, I'm working on that by learning Chinese and I hope to use that in International Stud-

ies and later in my commitment to the Armed Forces. My commitment to the U.S. Army is a large motivating factor for me because I believe in the selfless service that I can provide to my country and the standard that I am held to as an individual, which I see mirrored here at Hampden-Sydney. The thing that motivates me through all of the stress and hardships I face is the thought that if I don't get through this, that it reflects not only on me, but also on the institutions and people that I work with. I have also learned not to be boastful. I used to be very boastful but that gets in the way of service and connection."

Taylor Talk Continued

(non-permanently) to your ceiling.

It has come to our attention that a number of young men are struck to the core with terror at the thought of gift giving this holiday season. Black Friday and Cyber Monday – as well as other leviathans of consumerism – fill even the strongest constitution with trepidation. In defense against this, we prescribe that one formulate a gift-giving guide, grounded in the following principles:

1) Start early – if you begin shopping now, you will not only avoid the stresses and rigors of last minute shopping, but also have the opportunity to pick up the best deals.

2) No cash – this is crass. Gifts cards are accept-

able only for the vaguest relations.

3) If you must purchase clothing items, make sure that they coordinate with the style that your giftee would normally wear.

4) Don't give books – nobody reads anymore, and now we just feel guilty.

5) Physical "attention" (while appreciated) is no substitute for a thoughtful and considerate gift.

6) Realize that your gift is personal expression of your relationship, and a physical manifestation of how you view a person. Be original, and even dare to be interesting.

Please submit questions for the next edition of Taylor Talk to College Box 1877.

Leadership Profile to Be Approved

Max Dash '18
Multimedia Editor

On November 6th, the Presidential Search Committee presented their leadership profile draft to the Board of Trustees for final approval. Once the draft is approved, search firm Witt/Kiefer will spend the next month finding candidates who fit the profile.

Search Committee Chair M. Peebles Harrison '89 sent out an email on October 28th with a link to the newly drafted profile—a profile influenced by the H-SC community.

"We received well over 275 comments from the general community with ideas, observations, thoughts and nominations," Harrison said in the email.

In the October 16th issue of the *Tiger*—during the profile's infancy stages—Harrison mentioned that in the comments he had read, "certain themes" were coming up; however, he wasn't sure if those themes would "hold the day." With the profile now drafted, the committee chair reconsidered his previous sentiments.

"Certain themes definitely emerged," Harrison said in the email. "They will be helpful to the committee in our future work and have been incorporated into the leadership profile."

So what types of themes found their way into the profile? After studying the draft, a couple stood out.

One discernable theme throughout the draft is the emphasis on the College's culture. In fact, the draft's first objective asked of the next president is to "Leverage the Cul-

ture." It states that the culture at H-SC is "one of the College's greatest strengths," and thus is crucial that the new president begins "by immersing him- or herself in that culture."

The profile acknowledges the distinct "identity" of the College, through "the adherence to the liberal arts, undergraduate education, and the education of men," and puts an emphasis on this identity dictating how the president leads the College going forward. It states that the ideal candidate will "embrace the College's history and traditions as central to its future." Candidates who have proved a commitment to the traditional liberal arts "with personal experience within a small liberal arts college" are ideal. The leadership profile recognizes the value of H-SC's clearly defined identity and culture, and requires that the next president of the College capitalize on such a valuable attribute.

Another predominant theme within the profile is collaboration. The draft encourages the next president to "hit the ground listening," and "[reach] out to the College's multiple constituencies. It stresses the importance of the next president being "a presence on the campus, supporting students and faculty both within and outside the classroom and providing a role model for the College's values and mission." It also states that the next president will possess distinct collaborative skills, such as "communication," "relationship-building," and "listening." According to the draft, "a collaborative and transparent leadership approach that emphasizes teamwork and generates trusting relationships among the College's

various constituencies" is critical. And perhaps the most important trait for the school's future leader according to the profile is "a track record for harnessing the passion and commitment of multiple constituencies with differing views of an institution, its history, and its future, to generate a unified and unifying vision within a shared governance environment."

In the October 16th issue of the *Tiger*, Provost and Dean of Faculty Dr. Dennis Stevens mentioned how important collaborating with students and finding out what issues are important to them will be in his tenure as interim president. The leadership profile expects the next president to carry on that collaborative spirit.

In addition to expectations and ideal qualities, there are more tangible requirements for consideration. Among the requirements are "at least 10 years of leadership and management experience in an environment of similar or greater complexity," as well as "an earned terminal degree." In addition, candidates "who can demonstrate a track record of success in a financially-independent institution or subsidiary will be at a particular advantage."

The committee's next meeting will be on December 9th to trim the list of presumably 20-30 candidates down to 10-12. Until then, the committee is still listening to nominations from the general community.

"Many hands make light work," Harrison said. "We take every idea seriously and will evaluate all nominations."

The names of potential candidates can be shared with the committee at Hampden-SydneyPresident@wittkieffer.com.

floors which makes it seem rustic, yet somehow upscale through the modernity. My advice to those of you who are 21: the Pig on Wednesday nights is definitely the place to go for interaction with the members of the fairer sex. Overall, I give the Pig 5 of 5 stars for the fact that I love BBQ and this place produces great BBQ.

Until next time, eat well, y'all!

Local Eats Continued

als were fried a crispy golden brown and when paired with the spicy ranch, created a symphony of flavor in your mouth. Then the waitress brought out our entrees. My favorite type of BBQ

is brisket, I thought the pairing of the collard greens with the brisket was a great southern combination especially when washed down with a bite of their Jalapeno cornbread and homemade cinnamon butter. I thoroughly enjoyed the meal, especially the cornbread.

I love the atmosphere of the Fishin' Pig because of the mix of the modern features such as the polished concrete



TIGER SPORTS

Soccer Slumps to End Season (But Beats Macon!)

Ellis Hopson '16
Sports Editor

After a mid-season losing streak of five consecutive games, Hampden-Sydney Soccer still retained a glimmer of hope to salvage their season. That hope dimmed quickly and painfully, as the Tigers closed the season by losing four of the final five games. It was not all doom and gloom, however, as H-SC was able to pull off a thrilling double overtime win over archrival Randolph-Macon.

After a win over Ferrum, the Tigers continued their losing ways on October 17th in a 2-1 loss at ODAC foe Bridgewater. After a tense opening half hour, junior forward Robert Kerby (Hampton, VA) scored shortly after coming on in the 31st minute.

H-SC could not hang on to the lead in the second half, as Bridgewater tied the game in the 52nd minute and scored the winner in the 70th minute. Kerby scored his seventh goal on the season, tying the career-high total he set a year ago. Junior goalkeeper Cameron McFarlane (Norwich, CT) recorded four saves.

The hard times continued during a trip to Virginia Wesleyan, as the Tigers dropped a close 1-0 contest. Much of the game's action came late in the first half, when Wesleyan saw two shots saved in the 28th minute, and another hit the post in the 35th minute.

Senior midfielder Costin Gregory (Raleigh, NC) recorded H-SC's first shot on goal in the 36th minute. Wesleyan struck just before the half when they scored in the 40th minute. Gregory had another scoring chance in the 75th minute, but the attempt was saved by the Wesleyan goalkeeper.

The Tigers returned home to face Randolph-Macon on October 24th.

The game also served as H-SC's Senior Day, during which seven seniors were honored for their contributions to the program, including defenders Josiah Fleming, Brich Kiefer, and Alex Strain, as well as Gregory.

Macon controlled the game throughout the first half, recording 10 shots to the Tigers' one. However, Cameron McFarlane persistently denied the Jackets, making all seven of his saves in the half.

H-SC came out aggressively in the second half, and they were rewarded with a penalty kick. Costin Gregory stepped to the spot and converted to give the Tigers the lead in the 54th minute.

Macon answered quickly, as they converted a penalty of their own in the 62nd minute. A confrontation ensued at midfield, and the result was ejections for two Jackets and one Tiger, leaving H-SC with a one-man advantage.

The Tigers pushed for a winner during the remainder of regulation, but their best chance failed to find the net when a shot from sophomore forward Drew Ratliff (Powhatan, VA) was pulled just wide to the left.

The game went into a first overtime period, during which both teams failed to score the golden goal. The winner came in the 107th minute, when sophomore forward Ryan Turner (Raleigh, NC) controlled a pass in the center of the box, turned his defender, and slotted home into the bottom right corner to seal the win.

Overtime was not so kind to H-SC when they faced Roanoke in their final home game, as they were beaten by a score of 3-2. The visitors jumped out to an early lead in the 15th minute, when they scored from a corner kick to make 1-0.

Roanoke doubled their advantage in the 56th minute, pouncing on a misplayed pass to make it 2-0. Freshman midfielder Hunter Weiland (Ra-

leigh, NC) got the Tigers on the board in 69th minute, scoring on the rebound after his first shot was blocked.

Senior defender Josiah Fleming (San Antonio, TX) tied the game in the 84th minute, scoring his first career goal and sending the match to overtime. One minute into the period, junior forward Adam Christensen (Avon, IN) appeared to score the winner but was ruled offside. Roanoke took the chance to score the golden goal in the 95th minute.

The Tigers closed out the season with a road contest against Eastern Mennonite, where H-SC suffered a crushing 3-0 defeat. EMU jumped out in front early, scoring the opener in the 12th minute.

EMU struck quickly again in 21st minute, doubling the advantage. The Tigers had their chances in the second half, but conceded a third goal in the 84th minute to seal defeat.

After a promising start to the season, H-SC finished with a disappointing 7-10 overall record, with a 2-9 mark in the ODAC. The Tigers will look to build around a strong foundation next season, with veteran talents such as Robert Kerby, Cameron McFarlane, and Liam Hogan, as well young stars Ryan Turner and Hunter Weiland.



Senior Costin Gregory controls the ball.
Photo Credit: hscathletics.com

Golf and Cross Country Conclude Fall Campaigns



Sophomore Austin Fockler had an impressive season. Photo Credit: hscathletics.com

Spencer Connell '17
Sports Writer

The Hampden Sydney golf and cross country teams have ended their respective fall seasons. The golf team had a decent season with respectable finishes in their events. Meanwhile, the cross country team competed in the ODAC Championship, which marked the virtual end to the 2015 season.

Out on the links, the Tigers were led by impressive sophomores throughout the season. On September 12 & 13, H-SC competed in the Tom Kinder Memorial in Harrisonburg, Virginia. Junior Alex Simmons (Charlottesville, VA) was the highest finishing Tiger in 12th, while sophomores Austin Fockler (Richmond, VA) and Aaron Persily (Charleston, WV) were tied for 18th. Overall, the team finished 7th out of 18.

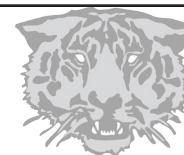
A few weeks later was the VSGA State Championship, which was also held in Harrisonburg on September 28 & 29. The Tigers notched a 6th place finish, and Austin Fockler earned medalist honors with an even par performance in the second round of play.

As the calendar turned to October, the next event was already on tap.

The Royal Lakes event took place in Flowery Branch, Georgia. Alex Simmons and Austin Fockler finished tied for 20th, four over par, and the Tigers took home 9th as a team.

The final autumn event for the golfers was the O'Briant-Jenson Memorial in Greensboro, North Carolina. Freshman Jamie Agnew (Fairfax, VA) and Alex Simmons led the Tigers on the leaderboard, finishing tied for 13th, thirteen over par. Overall, the team took home 9th once again. Ultimately, there should not be any concern for the golf team as they take a well-earned break and prepare for the spring season, which begins in March in South Carolina.

The cross country team competed at the ODAC Championship meet, held at Bridgewater College on October 31. It was not a great day for the team as a whole, but freshman Lewis Brooks (Jefferson, GA) continued to lead the Tigers. He picked up a 32nd place finish with a time of 27:43.7, the fourth fastest time in school history since 2005. The team as a whole finished 10th out of 11. It has been an up-and-down season for the Tigers, although it was productive. The next event—the South/Southeast Regional—will be held on November 14 in Winchester, Virginia.



TIGER SPORTS

Rugby Eyeing State Championships



Rugby in the midst of a sloppy affair against Roanoke. Photo Credit: hscathletics.com

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Hampden-Sydney Rugby has enjoyed a notable increase in interest and popularity this fall. With big wins at home and opportunities against larger schools on the road, the season has been a successful one regardless of the team's final record. After road losses to Roanoke and JMU's B-Side and a dominant homecoming win over Emory & Henry, H-SC will look to take the good vibes to the State Championships.

The Tigers traveled to Roanoke on October 10th, where they suffered a tough 15-10 loss. The match was a slow one, as week of rain left the pitch sloppy and muddy. Sophomore winger Kevin Roetz put H-SC on the board in the 13th minute with a try after receiving a pass from senior fly half Greg Regan.

Roanoke answered in the 20th minute with a scrum deep in the Tigers' defensive area to make it 5-5. The score remained deadlocked into the second half, until Roanoke

took the lead in the 52nd minute.

H-SC tied the score in the 58th minute, when freshman flanker Jordan Cotrone scored a diving try from a penalty play on Roanoke's 5-meter line. Roanoke was able to score the winning points on the final play of the match, sealing the win 15-10.

The Tigers returned home to play Emory & Henry on October 24th as part of the Homecoming festivities. Home turf was kind to H-SC, as the team crushed E&H 83-5. The team was led by sophomore flanker Conor McCabe, who scored five tries on the day. Greg Regan also recorded four conversions on the afternoon.

H-SC hit the road to play JMU's B-side on Halloween. The trip was a disappointing one as the Tigers fell 56-12, albeit against superior opposition. However, the match acted as good preparation for this weekend's State Championships. The tournament will take place at Virginia Military Institute, with H-SC kicking off at either 10:00 AM or 11:30 AM depending on seeding. Good luck to our Tigers this weekend!

Football Winning When It Counts

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The leaves continue to fall from the trees as we turn the calendar to November, which means that soon, the NCAA Division III Football playoffs commence. However, there are a handful of games left for the Hampden Sydney Tigers. They managed to close out October with an exciting three game winning streak over conference foes Emory & Henry, Shenandoah, and Bridgewater.

On October 17, HSC traveled to Emory, Virginia to take on Emory & Henry. The game started on a bad note for the Tigers as they quickly fell behind by three touchdowns in the second quarter. However, junior quarterback Edgar Moore (Tallahassee, FL) rallied the team with two crucial passing touchdowns while Mike DeMasi (Virginia Beach, VA) and Kyree Koonce (Charlottesville, VA) each ran the ball in for a touchdown, giving HSC a 28-21 lead by the 4th quarter. Emory & Henry tied the game early in the 4th quarter, then a stalemate ensued until the final minute of play. Freshman kicker Liam Hedge (Roanoke, VA) stepped up to the challenge and kicked the game-winning 22-yard field goal for

HSC making the final score 31-28.

The Tigers returned home for Homecoming on October 24 against Shenandoah University. It was a back and forth affair as both teams tacked on points throughout the day. However, the Tigers held on to a halftime lead 28-20 thanks to three passing touchdowns from Moore and a rushing touchdown from Koonce, who would add another rushing touchdown to the Tigers' score as the second half progressed. Liam Hedge added a 27-yard field goal to help solidify the 38-33 victory for HSC. A well-deserved shout out goes to senior cornerback Sidney Henry (Haymarket, VA) who was awarded ODAC Player of the Week honors for his 11-tackle performance in the game.

The final home game of the season on October 31 included an added sense of joy, for it was also the rescheduled Family Weekend. Also, it was Halloween, but there were no tricks, only treats, for the Tigers as they faced Bridgewater College. HSC held Bridgewater to only a field goal on the day. Edgar Moore threw the only touchdown of the first half, while Liam Hedge kicked a field goal to give the Tigers a 10-3 halftime lead. In the second half, HSC dominated the ground game as Kyree Koonce rushed for a touchdown and junior

wideout Owen Costello (South Riding, VA) rushed for a touchdown, as well. Liam Hedge also kicked another field goal in the second half as HSC rolled to another victory, 27-3.

This three game win streak is crucial for the Tigers as they are looking to claim a 3rd consecutive ODAC title. However, Guilford stands in the way as the next opponent on the schedule. The Quakers share a 4-1 ODAC record with HSC, but their overall record is 7-1; their only loss was against Washington & Lee. Speaking of Washington & Lee, the Generals stand atop the conference due to their unbeaten 5-0 record, 8-0 overall. HSC needs to defeat Guilford in a convincing fashion similar to the 2013 victory (56-0) in order to jump into 2nd place in the conference. Of course, the Tigers also need to beat Macon, which should not be too much of an obstacle since Macon sits in the cellar of the conference.

The final two weeks of the season look like they will be filled with drama and excitement, so support the team as they wrap up the season on the road. This Saturday, November 7, they head to Greensboro, North Carolina to face off against Guilford for a 1 p.m. kickoff. The Game against Randolph-Macon will be the following Saturday, November 14, set for a 1 p.m. kickoff.



Freshman running back Kyree Koonce leaps into the end zone against Shenandoah. Photo Credit: Jonathan Walkey '18